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## IN THE SECOND COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

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**Ex parte Charles Barton** 

Appeal from Tarrant County

STATE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S

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**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE** 

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## TO THE HONORABLE SECOND COURT OF APPEALS:

The State Prosecuting Attorney respectfully submits its Notice of Appearance in this cause. "The state prosecuting attorney may . . . represent the state in any stage of a criminal case before a state court of appeals if [s]he considers it necessary for the interest of the state." Although this authority is not dependent on a request from a district or county attorney,² the District Attorney's office has requested our assistance.<sup>3</sup>

## **PRAYER**

WHEREFORE, the State prays that its notice be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> TEX. GOV'T CODE § 42.001(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Aguirre v. State, 22 S.W.3d 463, 465 (Tex. Crim. App. 1999).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Tex. Gov't Code § 42.005(a) ("The state prosecuting attorney may assist a district or a county attorney in representing the state before a court of appeals if requested to do so by the district or county attorney.").

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The State Prosecuting Attorney's Notice of Appearance has been eFiled with

the Court on the 21st day of August, 2019, and served on the following:

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